

Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims:

Claims 1-10 (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) An apparatus for post-treating exhaust gases of an internal combustion engine (2), comprising a reduction catalytic converter (4) which serves to reduce NO_x ingredients of the exhaust gases and to which an exhaust pipe (6) leads, **the apparatus being** provided with a reducing agent supply device (8) and means **(10) which generates** ~~to generate~~ a pressure difference in the exhaust gas **in the exhaust pipe (6)**, and further provided with a bypass line (12) that bypasses the means (10) **for** generating the pressure difference, **wherein** ~~into which bypass line~~ the reducing agent supply device (8) introduces the reducing agent **into the bypass line (12), and in which the means (10) generating the pressure difference in the exhaust pipe (6) is a turbine of an exhaust gas turbocharger.**

12. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 11, in which the bypass line (12) includes a valve (14) which is controllable.

13. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 11, in which the bypass line (12) discharges into the exhaust pipe (6) via a ring conduit (16) provided with bores.

14. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 12, in which the bypass line (12) discharges into the exhaust pipe (6) via a ring conduit (16) provided with bores.

15. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 11, in which the bypass line (12) discharges into the exhaust pipe (6) via a spray tube (18).

16. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 12, in which the bypass line (12) discharges into the exhaust pipe (6) via a spray tube (18).

17. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 11, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ an injection valve (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

18. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 12, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ an injection valve (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

19. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 13, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ an injection valve (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

20. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 15, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ an injection valve (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

21. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 11, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ a carburetor device (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

22. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 12, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ a carburetor device (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

23. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 13, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ a carburetor device (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

24. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 15, **wherein the reducing agent supply device comprises** ~~in which the bypass line (12) has~~ a carburetor device (8) for supplying the reducing agent.

25. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 11, in which the bypass line (12) includes at least one catalytic converter (20), in particular a cracking catalytic converter (20).

26. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 12, in which the bypass line (12) includes at least one catalytic converter (20), in particular a cracking catalytic converter (20).

27. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 13, in which the bypass line (12) includes at least one catalytic converter (20), in particular a cracking catalytic converter (20).

28. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 15, in which the bypass line (12) includes at least one catalytic converter (20), in particular a cracking catalytic converter (20).

29. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 11, in which the reducing agent is selected from the group consisting of a urea, ammonia, and a solution of urea and water.

30. (Previously submitted) The apparatus of claim 11, in which the reducing agent is the fuel of the engine (2), in particular Diesel fuel.

31. (Canceled)

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Description of Amendments to the Drawings

Figures 1 and 2 have been modified in the sheets attached as the appendix by replacing the German words with the corresponding English words.